AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the title with the following amended title:

<u>A COUPLING/UNCOUPLING FASTENING/UNFASTENING</u> METHOD, <u>A</u>
PLASTIC COUPLER AND ENVELOP, BAG AND BINDER FASTENER, AN
ENVELOPE, A BAG AND A TIE

Please insert the following paragraph before line 2 on page 1 of the aboveidentified specification.

This application is based on and claims priority to International Application No. PCT/JP/2003/008013, filed on June 24, 2003 designating the U.S., the entire contents of which is hereby incorporated by reference.